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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated February 24, 2006, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-36 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

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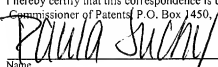
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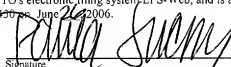
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